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A Merry Holiday for Aged and Needy



Christmas Songs, Gifts and Parties

Junior Catholic Daughters, girls 12 to 18 years of age, and the Juniorettes, girls 7 to 12 years, have joined forces to bring happiness to the elderly in convalescent homes and hospitals throughout the area. Working for the past several weeks, the girls have made festive tray favors and this evening they will deliver their gifts and will sing traditional Christmas carols as they visit the hospitals. The girls have also adopted a needy family and have collected toys for the children, as well as food. After their gift giving and caroling, the Juniors will go to the home of Susan Cignovich on Falena Ave. in Lomita for a Christmas party and the Juniorettes will return to the Nativity Parish Annex for their holiday party. Preparing for their Christmas project are, from left, Mary Ann Hammerle and Valerie Campbell with a box of food and gifts, while in background, Barbara and Rhonda Larmon get in voice for the caroling.

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Story of St. Nick

South Bay Mothers of Twins Club will hold its annual Children's Party Saturday, Dec. 23, at 10 a.m. at the Grand Theater in downtown Torrance. Santa Claus will be on hand to distribute apples and candy and listen to the children's wishes. Lew Eldridge is in charge of movies and group singing will be led by Sylvia Griffith. Hearing the Story of St. Nick read by Mrs. Gene Copeland are two sets of twins, Laura and Lisa Copeland, and two little boys, Darrin and Darwin Clark. The club's needy family will be special guests.

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Children Honor Parents

At Anniversary Reception

Mr. and Mrs. Ray J. Leino, 1705 W. 253rd St., Lomita, were honored at a reception on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3, from 1 to 4 p.m. in the reception room at the Torrance YWCA, 2320 Carson St., celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary.

The party was given by the couple's three children, Mrs. Adele Leino Isom and Mrs. Velma Collier Groff of Lomita, and R. E. Collier of Baldwin Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Leino were married Nov. 29, 1942, in Wayside Methodist Chapel in Lomita.

The Leino family is numbered among the pioneer families of Harbor City. Mr. Leino has the distinction of being the first male child born in the then sparsely settled community of Harbor City and Lomita. The couple still live in the old family home.

Mr. Leino is employed by National Supply in Torrance. Mrs. Leino has been active in the Harbor City PTA and Harbor Area Girl Scouting.

Mrs. Frances West was in

charge of the guest book signed by 75 relatives and friends calling to congratulate the couple.

A lace-covered table was centered by an arrangement of white spider chrysanthemums, gladioli, silver leaves and hearts and topped by a silver "25". The tiered silver and white anniversary cake was flanked by white candles and silver bells. Coffee and punch were served with other refreshments. Mrs. Nell Dearman was in charge of the decorations.

The anniversary celebrants were presented with a money tree and other gifts. Mrs. Leino wore a white orchid corsage, a gift from the children and four grandchildren, all present for the reception.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. Leino's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Eldridge of Palmdale; Mr. and Mrs. John O'Neill, Prescott, Ariz., and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Eldridge and son Edward, of Palmdale.

Mrs. O'Neill and Mr. R. W. Eldridge were attendants at the couple's wedding 25 years ago.

Las Vecinas Club

Sets Christmas Party For Men in Service

More than 125 sailors, soldiers and marines will be guests of the Las Vecinas Woman's Club at a holiday party on Dec. 21 at the Harbor USO, located at 437 West 9th St., San Pedro.

Beginning at 7:30 p.m., fifty Junior Hostesses from local colleges will greet the servicemen and serve a buffet dinner of turkey and ham prepared by Las Vecinas under the direction of Mrs. William Culp and Mrs. Dwight Lord.

Plans for the evening include the trimming of a Christmas tree provided by Joe Wilcox of the Torrance YMCA and distribution of gifts. A live band will play music for dancing.

Las Vecinas is a philanthropic group serving the South Bay since 1948. Besides supporting the USO, they aid Harbor General Hospital, the American Field Service, and civic, educational, and community projects. Mrs. Don D. Malone of Redondo Beach is president.



MR. AND MRS. RAY LEINO
... Married 25 Years

(Key Photography)

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Ante, 1110 Hickory Ave., are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Sandra, to Richard Noble, son of Mrs. Viola Noble of Hermosa Beach.

No date has been set for the wedding.

The bride-elect is a 1967 graduate of Bishop Montgomery High School and is now attending the Flavio Beauty College.

Her fiancé was graduated from Mira Costa High School in 1964. He is now attending El Camino College and Ford Co. Trade School.

The engagement was first revealed at a Thanksgiving Day dinner party at the Ante home.



Waiting for Santa

Santa will be glad he came, when he makes his appearance at the Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters, Christmas party, Thursday evening at the Ralph Sullivan home. These committee members, from left, Mmes. Chris Young, Alexander Egger, Lloyd Landerville and Alberta Moreta, await Jolly St. Nick with cookies, milk and other holiday goodies. There will be games, gift exchange, and refreshments, according to Mmes. Robert Gribbin and Lloyd Landerville, chairmen. Others assisting them with the party are Mmes. Carl Frederickson, Michael O'Dowd and Santo Blasco.

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